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In re Application of: Lin, et al. )  
Application No. 09/687,699 )  
Attorney Docket No. ADAPP171 )  
Filed: October 12, 2000 )  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR )  
DEVICE DISCOVERY )  
DECISION ON PETITION TO  
WITHDRAW HOLDING OF  
ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR  
§1.181

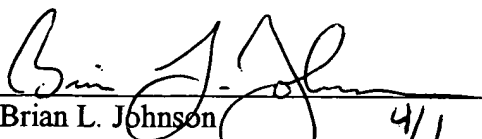
This is a decision on the petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment, under 37 CFR §1.181, filed on January 31, 2005.

Although a Notice of Abandonment has not yet been mailed, the instant application became abandoned for failure to timely respond to the Office action mailed March 2, 2004 on September 3, 2004. A grantable petition must include a copy of the response and proof of timely filing of the response. A stamped post card receipt with an indication of the documents filed therewith is acceptable. No fee is required.

Petitioner has provided evidence in the petition that includes: a copy of the response and amendment with a certificate of mailing under 37 CFR § 1.8(a) on June 2, 2004; transmittal letter; and a post card receipt identifying the contents of the response, which includes a USPTO receipt date of June 7, 2004.

Since all of the criteria set forth above have been met, the petition is **GRANTED**. The Notice of Abandonment is hereby **WITHDRAWN**.

The application is being forwarded to the Supervisory Legal Instruments Examiner with instructions to enter the response (copy filed January 31, 2005). The application will then be forwarded to the examiner for prompt action on the merits.

  
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